

EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:12-CV-169

Defendant.

The court has conducted a *de novo* review of the objections in relation to the pleadings and the applicable law. After careful consideration, the court is of the opinion plaintiff's objections are without merit. The magistrate judge correctly concluded that as the prison regulation regarding beards that plaintiff challenged is no longer in effect, the challenge to the regulation is moot.

ORDER

Accordingly, the objections filed by plaintiff are **OVERRULED**. The findings of fact and conclusions of law of the magistrate judge are correct, and the report of the magistrate judge is **ADOPTED**. The motion to dismiss is **GRANTED** and plaintiff's claim relating to growing a beard is **DISMISSED** without prejudice as moot.

SIGNED at Plano, Texas, this 12th day of September, 2017.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marcia A. Crone".

MARCIA A. CRONE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE